RESOLUTION

OF

THE LEGISLATURE OF TEXAS,

IN RELATION TO

The residence of the United States District Judge for the district of Texas.

FEBRUARY 29, 1848.

Ordered to lie on the table, and be printed.

JOINT RESOLUTION instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to procure the passage of a law to compel the judge of the United States district court for the district of Texas to reside and remain permanently within his district.

Whereas, in the opinion of the legislature of the State of Texas, all courts are ordained and established for the general good of the people and the well-being of society:

And whereas, in order to the prompt and proper administration of the laws through the courts, it is necessary that the judges thereof shall, at

all reasonable times, be found within their several districts:

And whereas the present judge of the United States district court for the district of Texas has, since his appointment to that important office, remained but a small part of the time within his said district: Therefore,

Sec. 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That our Senators in Congress be instructed and our Representatives requested to use their influence to have a law passed by the Congress of the United States, requiring the judge of the United States district court for the district of Texas to remain within his said district not less than ten months of each year, on penalty of forfeiture of his office.

Sec. 2. Be it further resolved, That the governor furnish each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress with a copy of this joint resolution; and that this joint resolution take effect from and after its passage.

JAMES W. HENDERSON, Speaker of the House of Representatives. JOHN A. GREER,

President of the Senate.

Approved February 2, 1848.

GEO. T. WOOD.

Austin, Texas, February 3, 1848.

The foregoing is a correct copy from the original roll on file in the Department of State.

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States, requiring the judge of the United Player distinct court for the court

W. D. MILLER, Secretary of State.